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1. The Russian acceptance engineers employed in East German shipyards engaged in filling contracts for the USSR can be divided into two groups:
 - a. The first group is composed of "Auftraggeber" (issuers of contracts) or "Prozentuale Abnehmer" (percentage acceptance officials). They come from Karlshorst and issue the contracts, supervise construction, direct changes, and are responsible for completion of construction on time. They make monthly progress inspections and make capital funds available in proportion to construction progress. Each group of inspectors consists of a chief and four to six engineers. All of them are expected to be absorbed by the Russian Trade Delegation after 1 January 1954.
 - b. A second group of engineers accepts the finished product, and is responsible to Moscow for technical quality. Generally, each yard has three or four of these acceptance engineers, although the number depends upon the amount of work in progress. Some engineers are at the yard all day every day, while others come by only several times a week.
2. Involved on the German side in final acceptance is the Russian Sea Registration Office; on the German side is DSRE (Deutsches Seeregister und Klassifikation) (successor to Deutscher Lloyd), located at Zeuthen near Berlin, Schoenhauserallee.

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